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## Hoekstra comments on Bush U.N. speech

WASHINGTON – Following President George W. Bush's address to the United Nations this morning, Congressman Pete Hoekstra, R-Holland, a member of the House Intelligence Committee, issued the following statement:

"President Bush makes a strong and compelling case that Saddam Hussein is a rogue leader of a rogue state who is willing to flaunt United Nations' resolutions and international law. The menace posed by Saddam is real, and he has demonstrated time and again that he is a threat to his own people and to peace on this planet.

"I applaud the President for addressing the U.N. and trying to build world support for action in Iraq. In calling for a new resolution demanding Iraq comply with previous U.N. mandates, the President has given one last chance for a diplomatic solution to this problem.

"Failure by Iraq to comply with U.N. mandates will necessitate the global community to take action to preserve peace – and the relevancy of the U.N. This is a battle the U.S. should not be forced to fight alone, or with just Britain. Ending the Hussein regime is the responsibility of all nations committed to peace and security.

"The President's speech today was a strong start in laying out his case. I urge him to continue working with Congress, our allies and other leaders as he moves forward."

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